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In response to the Office Action dated December 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (twice amended) A reactor servicing platform for a nuclear reactor, the nuclear reactor comprising a reactor pressure vessel positioned in a primary containment and at least one refuel bridge, the primary containment comprising a refueling floor, said servicing platform comprising:

a frame comprising a plurality of interconnected beams;

a support structure attached to said frame;

a floor attached to and covering said frame, said floor comprising a reactor access opening sized to permit access to the reactor pressure vessel; and

at least one auxiliary platform extending into said access opening, said at least one auxiliary platform movable along a perimeter of said access opening of said floor.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is  
\_\_\_ a small entity. A verified statement:  
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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension (months)	Fee for other than <u>small entity</u>	Fee for <u>small entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 890.00	\$ 445.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,390.00	\$ 695.00

Fee: \$

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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☐ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

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OR

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	35	MINUS	*33	= 2	x \$9 = \$			x \$18 = \$36.00
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___ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$135 = \$			+ \$270 = \$0-
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(c) \_\_\_ No additional fee for Claims is required.

**OR**

(d) \_\_\_ Total additional fee for claims required \$

**FEE PAYMENT**

5. \_\_\_ Attached is a check in the sum of \$\_\_\_

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**FEE DEFICIENCY**

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

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